## CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND MARION COUNTY, STATE OF INDIANA

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4, 1998**

## ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COORDINATING COUNCIL

WHEREAS, acts of domestic violence constitute an ongoing threat to the well-being of our community; and,

WHEREAS, numerous public, not-for-profit, and private agencies routinely address and respond to issues which arise from acts of domestic violence; and,

WHEREAS, the protection of individuals from acts of domestic violence is a public safety issue, and the furtherance of such protection is of extreme importance to this administration:

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Indianapolis and the Chief Executive and successor at law to the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana, I do hereby order as follows:

SECTION 1: There is hereby created the "Marion County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council ("Council").

SECTION 2. The Council shall be comprised of the following persons or their designated representatives from their respective departments or offices: the Deputy Mayor of the City of Indianapolis; the Judge of the Marion Superior Court designated to hear cases of domestic violence; the Chief Probation Officer of the Marion Superior Court; the Director of the Indianapolis Department of Public Safety; the Marion County Sheriff; the Chief of the Indianapolis Police Department; the Marion County Prosecutor; the Marion County Clerk; a representative of Safe Haven Foundation, Inc.; a representative of Breaking Free, Inc.; a representative of the Marion County Family Advocacy Center; and, such other individuals as the Mayor from time to time may designate.

SECTION 3. The Council shall coordinate the efforts of all agencies within the criminal justice system in Marion County in such a manner that they will operate as fairly, efficiently, and effectively as possible, and further shall develop and implement a strategic plan to provide services which at present are not being provided, and to identify other needs in the current domestic violence system, in an effort to reduce the incidence of domestic violence in the community.

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall become effective immediately.

ADOPTED this day of December, 1998.
Stephen Goldsmith
Mayor of Indianapolis

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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Chief Corporation Counsel